

Amendments to the Claims:

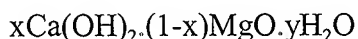
This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): Calco-magnesian aqueous suspension having particles of solid matter with, before being put in suspension, a specific surface area, calculated according to the BET method, which is less than or equal to 10 m²/g, characterised in that it has a solid matter content greater than or equal to 32% by weight.

Claim 2 (original): Suspension according to Claim 1, in which the said particles have a specific surface area calculated according to the BET method which is less than or equal to 8 m²/g, preferably less than or equal to 5 m²/g.

Claim 3 (previously submitted): Suspension according to Claim 1, in which the particles of solid matter comply with the formula:



where

$$0 < x \leq 1, \text{ and}$$

$$y \leq (1-x),$$

x and y being molar fractions.

Claim 4 (previously submitted): Suspension according to Claim 1, characterised in that it has a dynamic viscosity less than or equal to 1.2 Pa.s, preferably less than or equal to 1.0 Pa.s.

Claim 5 (currently amended): Suspension according to Claim 1, characterised in that it has a solid matter content ~~greater than 25%, advantageously greater than 40%~~ by weight.

Claim 6 (currently amended): Suspension according to Claim 1, characterised in that it has a d_{98} granulometric dimension of less than 20 microns, preferably equal to or less than 5 microns, where the distribution of the particle sizes is measured by means of a laser granulometer and the distributions are characterised in terms of d_{50} , d_{90} and d_{98} , interpolated values of the particle size distribution curve, the dimensions d_{50} , d_{90} and d_{98} corresponding to the dimensions for which respectively 50%, 90% and 98% of the particles are less than the said dimensions.

Claim 7 (currently amended): Method of preparing a calco-magnesian aqueous suspension according to Claim 1, characterised in that it comprises a putting into suspension in an aqueous medium of a calco-magnesian solid matter having particles with a specific surface area, calculated according to the BET method, which is less than or equal to $10 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$, characterised in that the resulting calco-magnesian suspension has a solid matter content greater than or equal to 32% by weight.